# Indiana

### A. STATE-AT-A-GLANCE

| 1)  | <b>Program Operation</b>  |   |
|-----|---|---|
| 2)  | Number of Local Offices<br>(excluding Agencies under<br>Cooperative Agreements) |   |
| 3)  | Type of Agencies with<br>Cooperative Agreements                                 | Yes, effective January 1, 1997                                  |
| 4)  | Uniform Interstate Family<br>Support Act  |   |
| 5)  | Agreements With Tribal Entities   |   |
| 6)  | Age of Majority for Termination of Support                                      |   |
| 7)  | Statutes of Limitation:   |   |
|     | • Collection of Past Due Support  |   |
|     | • Paternity Establishment   |   |
|     | Dormancy Revival/Renewal<br>Possible [yes/no]                                   |   |
| 8)  | Guidelines  |   |
| 9)  | Interest Rates on   |   |
|     | • Missed Payments   | No  |
|     | • Retroactive Support   | No  |
|     | • Adjudicated Arrearage   | Yes, if ordered by the Court                                    |
| 10) | Arrearage Collections for Non-<br>minor Child(ren)                              |   |
| 11) | <b>Distribution Scheme</b>  | Arrears owed on or after July 1, 1992 to custodial parent first |
|     | • AFDC Arrears  |   |
|     | • Non-AFDC Arrears  | To individual if accrued on or after July 1, 1992               |
| 12) | Procedures Regarding Medical<br>Support Using Income                            |   |

|     | Withholding                                    |  |
|-----|--|--|
| 13) | New Hire Reporting                             | No   |
| 14) | Recovery of Costs Elected Under<br>State Plan  | No, except for paternity                             |
| 15) | Recovery of Costs for Initiating State         |  |
| 16) | Long-Arm Statute/s Citation/s                  |  |
| 17) | <b>Automated Locate Resources</b>              |  |
| 18) | <b>Enforcement Options</b>                     |  |
|     | State Income Tax Refund Intercept              | Yes  |
|     | • License Revocation/<br>Suspension            | Yes, Drivers, Professional & Occupational            |
|     | • Administrative Liens                         | No   |
|     | • Property Seizure & Sale                      | Yes  |
|     | • State Funds/Benefits (please specify)        | No   |
|     | • Other (please specify)                       |  |
| 19) | Spousal Maintenance Orders (specify yes or no) |  |
|     | • Establish                                    | No   |
|     | • Enforce                                      | Yes, only if in conjunction with child support order |
|     | • Modify                                       | No   |
| 20) | Current Spouse/Partner<br>Information Required | No   |

### **B. UNIFORM INTERSTATE FAMILY SUPPORT ACT**

| 1) | State Code Citation | IC 31-1.5       |
|----|---------------------|-----------------|
| 2) | Effective Date      | January 1, 1997 |

| 3) | Adopted Verbatim? If no, list differences. | Substantially: technical changes to conform with fact that original orders are issued in Indiana only by courts, not by administrative process |
|----|--|--|
| 4) | Repeal URESA?                              | Yes  |
| 5) | Repeal IWW?                                | No   |

## C. INCOME WITHHOLDING

| 1)  | Income Withholding Terminology   |   |
|-----|--|---|
| 1)  | meome withholding remindingy   |   |
| 2)  | <b>Income Withholding Procedures</b>   |   |
|     | • State Withholding Limits   | Same as federal   |
|     | • Fee Charged by Employers   |   |
|     | • Date to Remit  | Same time that obligor is paid                            |
|     | • Penalty  | Liability for amount income payor failed to forward       |
| 3)  | <b>Definition of Employer</b>  | An employer or other person who owes income to an obligor |
| 4)  | Included Income  |   |
| 5)  | <b>Excluded Income</b>   | AFDC and other federal exempt payments                    |
| 6)  | Direct Income Withholding for<br>Unemployment Compensation,<br>include address | No  |
| 7)  | Direct Income for Workers'<br>Compensation, include address                    | No  |
| 8)  | Direct Income Withholding, other income sources subject to, include address    | None  |
| 9)  | Direct Income Withholding, list<br>Other Income Sources NOT<br>subject to      | All   |
| 10) | Federal Withholding (See<br>Federal Pay Agents Section)                        | IV-D Directors need not answer this question.             |
| 11) | Procedures for Contesting<br>Income Withholding                                | Administrative - hearing available     Judicial - appeal  |
| 12) | Arrearages through Income<br>Withholding                                       | Yes   |

| 13) | Enforcing Against Non-Resident<br>Obligor Asset/Income |  |
|-----|--|--|
| 14) | Exception to Immediate Withholding                     | Good cause   |
| 15) | Multiple Obligations Withholding Priorities            |  |
|     | • Policy   | All existing income withholding orders are enforceable |
|     | • Priority   | Current support  |
|     | • Assistance   | Child Support Bureau                                   |
|     |  | (317) 232-4877   |
|     | • Allocation   | Pro rata   |

### **D. PATERNITY**

| 1)  | <b>Interstate Paternity Procedures</b>   | Petition filed. If no admission, blood tests ordered, if necessary. Trial held |
|-----|--|--|
|     | <b>Consent Orders Obtained</b>   | Agreed entry may be filed  |
| 2)  | Uniform Parentage Act  |  |
| 3)  | <b>Uniform Act on Blood Testing</b>  |  |
| 4)  | Parentage Order Available<br>Without Order for Support                             | Yes  |
| 5)  | Custody/Visitation Addressed<br>Subject to Tribunal's<br>Jurisdiction              | Yes  |
| 6)  | Genetic Test Results as<br>Presumption of Paternity                                | Yes  |
|     | Threshold  | 99%  |
| 7)  | Paternity Acknowledgment as<br>Presumption of Paternity<br>(Rebuttable/Conclusive) | Rebuttable   |
| 8)  | Marriage as Presumption of Paternity   |  |
| 9)  | Putative Father's Name on Birth<br>Certificate, Effect of                          |  |
| 10) | Other Statutory Presumptions   | When putative father holds child out as his child                              |

| 11) | Recognition of Common Law<br>Marriage                       |  |
|-----|---|--|
| 12) | Personal Appearance of Witness or Custodial Parent Required | Technically No. If a trial is held, there may be a practical problem |
|     | Acceptable Methods of Testimony                             | Deposition   |
| 13) | Long-Arm Statute  | Indiana Trial Rule 4.4   |
| 14) | Assistance to Other States Using<br>Their Long-Arm Statutes |  |
|     | • Service of Process  | Yes, no formal procedure   |
|     | • Genetic Testing   | Yes  |
| 15) | Recovery of Genetic Testing<br>Costs for Other States       | Yes  |

#### E. SUPPORT ORDER ESTABLISHMENT

| 1) | Interstate Procedures                    |                                   |
|----|--|-----------------------------------|
| 2) | Income Considered for Setting<br>Support |                                   |
| 3) | Criteria for Rebuttal                    |                                   |
| 4) | Support Order for Prior Periods          | May only do so in paternity cases |

#### F. ENFORCEMENT

(Note: If multiple orders, see Part "G")

#### I. ENFORCING YOUR OWN ORDER

| 1) | Enforcement for Non-Resident Family                             | Income withholding if employer known or rule to show cause in county where order issued       |
|----|---|---|
| 2) | Administrative Procedures and Remedies Available                | Income withholding, driver and professional/occupational license suspension, state tax offset |
| 3) | Judicial Procedures and Remedies<br>Available with Registration | Yes - all statutory enforcement remedies currently available under state support laws         |

#### II. ENFORCING OTHER STATES' ORDERS

| 4) | Administrative Procedures and<br>Remedies Available Without<br>Registration | Interstate income withholding, state tax offset           |
|----|---|---|
| 5) | Judicial/Administrative Remedies with Registration                          | Same as available for enforcement of Indiana issued order |
| 6) | UIFSA/URESA Registration and<br>Enforcement Procedure                       | URESA until 12-31-96; UIFSA beginning 1-1-97              |
| 7) | Judicial Procedures Required after Registration                             | Register with Clerk of Court where obligor located        |
| 8) | Uniform Enforcement of Foreign<br>Judgments Act Citation                    | N/A   |

### G. MODIFICATION/REVIEW & ADJUSTMENT OF ORDERS

| 1) | Jurisdiction Requirements                  | URESA until 12-31-96                                       |
|----|--|--|
| 2) | <b>Modification Procedures</b>             |  |
| 3) | Criteria for Modification                  |  |
| 4) | Criteria for Change of<br>Circumstances    |  |
| 5) | Frequency With Which Reviews are Conducted |  |
| 6) | Criteria for Review                        | Substantial change in circumstances                        |
| 7) | Criteria for Adjustment                    | Per guidelines, a change of 20% or more from current order |

#### H. MULTIPLE ORDERS

#### ENFORCEMENT AND MODIFICATION

| 1) | <b>Controlling Order</b>         | N/A  |
|----|----------------------------------|--|
| 2) | <b>Date of Controlling Order</b> | Date of order  |
| 3) | If No Controlling Order          | Yes  |
| 4) | Arrears Procedure                | Determine controlling order(s) and calculate arrearage |

# I. Documentation Required to Initiate Requests

| ACTION REQUESTED   | DOCUMENTS NEEDED  | # of Copies of each document | Certification required for each document  *See below |
|--|---|------------------------------|--|
| Establishment of Paternity and Support                   | Complete URESA packet: general testimony, uniform support petition, paternity affidavit   | 3                            | A  |
| Enforcement of Responding State's<br>Order               | URESA transmittal, court order, testimony/affidavit   | 3                            | A  |
| Modification of Responding States' Orders                | Child support enforcement transmittal and general testimony   | 3                            | A  |
| Administrative Enforcement of Another States' Order      | (For interstate income withholding) Child support enforcement transmittal, court order, payment record, and calculated worksheet  | 1                            | В  |
| Registration for Enforcement of<br>Another States' Order | URESA transmittal, certificate and court order, uniform support petition, testimony/affidavit   | 3                            | A  |
| Collection of Arrearages in<br>Multiple Orders           | URESA transmittal, certificate and court order, uniform support petition, testimony/affidavit. If employer known, same documentation as noted above for interstate income withholding | 3/1                          | A/B  |

| ACTION REQUESTED                                | DOCUMENTS NEEDED   | # of Copies of each document | Certification required for each document  *See below |
|---|--|------------------------------|--|
| Uniform Enforcement of Foreign<br>Judgments Act | N/A  |                              |  |
| Modification of Another State's<br>Order        | Indiana law does not provide for modification of another state's order |                              |  |
| Status Update on an Existing Interstate Case    | Status request to responding county                                    |                              |  |
| Assistance/Discovery                            | Dependent upon type of assistance needed                               |                              |  |
| Quick Locate                                    | PLS "quick locate request"   | 1                            | N/A  |

<sup>\*</sup>A = Notarization by Notary Public; B = Certification by signature of agency official;

C= Certification by signature of court official; D= Others (please specify);

**E**= Certification not required

### J. State Contact Chart

| ASSISTANCE NEEDED   | CONTACT  |  |
|---|--|--|
|   | Name, Title, Address, Phone, Fax, E-mail (include 800 if applicable) |  |
| State Information Agent   | Suzan Clair, Supervisor  |  |
|   | WhIP Unit  |  |
|   | Child Support Bureau   |  |
|   | 402 West Washington, Room W360                                       |  |
|   | Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  |  |
|   | (317) 232-3447 , FAX (317) 233-4925                                  |  |
| Central Registry  | Suzan Clair, Supervisor  |  |
|   | WhIP Unit  |  |
|   | Child Support Bureau   |  |
|   | 402 West Washington, Rom W360  |  |
|   | Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  |  |
|   | (317) 232-3447, FAX (317) 233-4925                                   |  |
| Interstate Policy Contact (if different)                                    | Same as above  |  |
|   |  |  |
|   |  |  |
| Contact for Information Regarding Your States Long Arm Statute and Process  | Legal Unit   |  |
| States Long Arm Statute and Process   | Child Support Bureau   |  |
|   | 402 West Washington, Room W360                                       |  |
|   | Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  |  |
|   | (317) 232-4877   |  |
| Contact for Information Regarding Collection and Distribution (State level) | Supervisor, Collections Unit   |  |
| Confection and Distribution (State lever)                                   | Child Support Bureau   |  |
|   | 402 West Washington, Room W360                                       |  |
|   | Indianapolis, Indiana 46204  |  |
|   | (317) 232-4893   |  |

| Contact to Obtain Payment Records   | County Clerk of Court   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Contact to Obtain Copy of Order   | County Clerk of Court   |  |  |
| Contact for States Using Their Long Arm<br>Statutes or Continuing Exclusive<br>Jurisdiction (no "case" in your State) for | County Prosecuting Attorney in jurisdiction where obligor located |  |  |
| Service of Process     (private process server? If so , list)   | N\A   |  |  |
| Genetic Testing   | Thelzeda Moore, Program Specialist                                |  |  |
| ( e.g. assistance with interstate   | Child Support Bureau  |  |  |
| teleconferencing)   | 402 West Washington, Room W360                                    |  |  |
|   | Indianapolis, Indiana 46204                                       |  |  |
|   | (317) 232-4874  |  |  |
| New Hire Reporting Contact  | N/A   |  |  |
| Employer Assistance Contact   | PLS Supervisor  |  |  |
|   | Child Support Bureau  |  |  |
|   | 402 West Washington, Room W360                                    |  |  |
|   | Indianapolis, Indiana 46204                                       |  |  |
|   | (317) 232-4936  |  |  |
| Telephone Number for Automated<br>Interstate Case <i>Status</i> Requests  | N/A   |  |  |
| (if any)  |   |  |  |
| Telephone Number for Automated Interstate Case <i>Payment</i> Requests (if any)   | N/A   |  |  |
| (   |   |  |  |
| Privatization Contact   | N/A   |  |  |